

# Senate File 2035 - Introduced

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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to service dogs and county or city dog breed  
2 restrictions.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 216C.11, subsection 1, Code 2022, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. a. A person with a disability, a person assisting a  
4 person with a disability by controlling a service animal or  
5 a service-animal-in-training, or a person training a service  
6 animal has the right to be accompanied by a service animal  
7 or service-animal-in-training, under control, in any of the  
8 places listed in [sections 216C.3](#) and [216C.4](#) without being  
9 required to make additional payment for the service animal or  
10 service-animal-in-training.

11 b. The person is liable for damage done to any premises or  
12 facility by a service animal or a service-animal-in-training.

13 c. Paragraph "a" does not apply if the place listed in  
14 section 216C.3 or 216C.4 is located in a county or city  
15 that prohibits or restricts the possession of a specific  
16 breed or perceived breed of dog and the service animal or  
17 service-animal-in-training is of the prohibited or restricted  
18 breed or perceived breed of dog.

19 EXPLANATION

20 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
21 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

22 This bill relates to service dogs in the context of  
23 county or city breed restrictions. Current law grants  
24 a person with a disability, a person assisting a person  
25 with a disability by controlling a service animal or a  
26 service-animal-in-training, or a person training a service  
27 animal the right to be accompanied by the service animal or  
28 service-animal-in-training, under control, at public facilities  
29 and accommodations without being required to make additional  
30 payment for the service animal or service-animal-in-training.  
31 The bill provides that the right does not apply if the  
32 public facility or accommodation is in a county or city  
33 that prohibits or restricts the possession of a specific  
34 breed or perceived breed of dog and the service animal or  
35 service-animal-in-training is of the prohibited or restricted

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